

Lodging Assistance Workshop Spotlight: The Bear Necessities

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## A Special Environmental Education Symposium Update



## LODGING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE FOR CONFERENCE-GOERS

Fulltime educators or university students seeking an education degree are eligible for lodging assistance at the 2014 Environmental Education Symposium. The upcoming symposium, to be held in Shreveport on February 21 and 22, 2014, will highlight the concept of watersheds this year!

The awards are determined by distance from the conference site and will be processed in the order they are received. Applicants will provide proof of distance to be traveled using an internet mapping service like Google Maps or MapQuest.

Lodging assistance awards will pay for one half of the cost of a double-occupancy hotel room at the conference hotel (Shreveport Hilton) only. Two people receiving awards and rooming together will therefore stay for free!

The LEEC Lodging Assistance Sub-Committee will review all applications on a first-come, first-served basis and will approve awards for qualified applicants until the allotted funds are exhausted. Applicants will be notified of their status at least one month prior to the conference and at least one week prior to the hotel conference reservation deadline.

Click the following link to download the form: 2014 Lodging Assistance Application

## **WORKSHOP SPOTLIGHT: THE BEAR NECESSITIES**

Educators attending the 2013 Environmental Education Symposium have the opportunity to discover the secrets of our elusive state mammal - the Louisiana black bear.

Lead by Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Education Outreach Coordinator Carrie Salyers and LSU Laboratory School Instructor Steve Babcock, The Bear Necessities workshop attendees will learn about bear habitat, the challenges bears face, and the ongoing management activities aimed at restoring and maintaining a healthy black bear population.



Workshop attendees will receive training and a binder of GLE-correlated lesson activities for the classroom, thumb drive, and many other goodies. Educators receive a \$50 stipend upon proof of lesson implementation in the classroom.

The workshop is scheduled to be held at Cypress Black Bayou Nature Center.

Visit the symposium website at http://www.wlf.louisiana.gov/louisiana-environmental-education-symposium